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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ERIK D. MENDOZA-CONTRERAS,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 1:22-CR-00074-JLT-SKO

STIPULATION SETTING CHANGE OF PLEA
HEARING; FINDINGS AND ORDER

DATE: December 11, 2023

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

COURT: Hon. Jennifer L. Thurston

STIPULATION

Plaintiff United States of America, by and through its counsel of record, and defendants, by and through their counsel, hereby stipulate as follows:

1. By previous order, this matter was set for a change of plea on December 11, 2023.
2. By this stipulation, defendant now moves to continue the change of plea to January 8, 2024, and to exclude time between December 11, 2023, and January 8, 2024, under 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and 3161(h)(7)(B)(i) and (iv).

3. The parties agree and stipulate, and request that the Court find the following:

a) The government has represented that the discovery associated with this case includes investigative reports and related documents in electronic form, videos, photographs, and digital evidence. The government provided initial discovery and supplemental discovery. On September 26, 2022, the government produced a second batch of supplemental discovery.

b) Counsel for defendant desires additional time to review discovery, consult with

his client, prepare for a change of plea hearing, and otherwise prepare for sentencing.

c) Counsel for defendant believes that failure to grant the above-requested continuance would deny him the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.

d) The government does not object to the continuance.

e) Based on the above-stated findings, the ends of justice served by continuing the case as requested outweigh the interest of the public and the defendants in a trial within the original date prescribed by the Speedy Trial Act.

f) For the purpose of computing time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, et seq., within which trial must commence, the time period of December 11, 2023 to January 8, 2024, inclusive, is deemed excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(i) and (iv) because it results from a continuance granted by the Court at defendant's request on the basis of the Court's finding that the ends of justice served by taking such action outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial.

4. Nothing in this stipulation and order shall preclude a finding that other provisions of the Speedy Trial Act dictate that additional time periods are excludable from the period within which a trial must commence.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

Dated: December 6, 2023

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/s/ Antonio J. Pataca
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1 Dated: December 6, 2023

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6 **FINDINGS AND ORDER**

7 IT IS SO FOUND.

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9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

10 Dated: **December 7, 2023**


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE